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PART I.

NONE

PART II. SIGNIFICANT RESULTS C. CHANGE AND OB ITEMS

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CTY: VN174310N1062620E INT: GPV SC SHP

UTM:48QXE570580 IFR:

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NYL: THREE RECENTLY IDENTIFIED STEEL-HULLED POL COASTERS, SIMILAR TO THE TYPE 46 COASTER, ARE OBSERVED IN THE VICINITY OF QUANG KHE. ONE COASTER IS MOORED TO THE POL BUNKERING/REFUELING PIER AT UTM XE576574, ONE IS UNDERWAY UPSTREAM EAST OF QUANG KHE AT XE578580, AND THE THIRD IS ANCHORED OFFSHORE EAST OF QUANG KHE AT XE581575. THREE VESSELS OF THIS TYPE WERE FIRST REPORTED UNDER CONSTRUCTION AND SUBSEQUENTLY UNDERWAY IN HAIPHONG ON 14 MAY 69, AND WERE DESCRIBED AS TYPE 46 POL VARIANTS. THIS WAS THE FIRST INDICATION OF TYPE 46 VESSELS CONSTRUCTED AS POL CARRIERS, ALTHOUGH THEY WERE PREVIOUSLY OBSERVED TO BE CONVERTED TO POL USE. (REF. ITEM 6).

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